

REMARKS

1. Election/Restriction Requirement

In the *Office Action* of 30 May 2007, the Examiner restricts Claims 31-57 into two patentably distinct inventions. More specifically, these inventions are:

- **Invention I:** Claims 31-43 and 51-57 drawn to a system for managing data associated with mobile assets, classified in Class 709, Subclass 217; and
- **Invention II:** Claim 44-50 drawn to a method for monitoring and controlling a mobile asset, classified in Class 705, Subclass 28.

In response, the Applicants elect Invention I, which the Applicants respectfully submit include Claims 31-43 and 51-57, without traverse. The Applicants cancel Claims 44-50.

Consequently, the Applicants respectfully submit that the Application is in condition for allowance and requests early and favorable consideration.

The Applicants reserve the right to pursue additional claims in this Application or in a continuation Application. The Applicants also reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in a later filed divisional or continuation application. In addition, the Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims of similar scope as originally filed or broader claims than originally filed in a later filed divisional or continuation application.

2. Fees

No Claim fees are believed due. The number of Claims pending remains less than those originally filed.

No extension of time fees are believed due. This *Response to Restriction Requirement* is being filed within six months of the *Office Action*, and more specifically within the shortened statutory period of one month.

Nonetheless, should any fees be due, authorization to charge deposit account No. 20-1507 is hereby given.

CONCLUSION

By the 30 May 2007 *Office Action*, Claims 31-57 are pending, and subject to restriction. The Applicants herein elect Claims 31-43 and 51-57, and cancel Claims 44-50. The undersigned invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned should any other issues remain prior to the allowance of this Application. Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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